

October 26, 1956

Dr. H. Koprowski
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Dear Dr. Koprowski:

Thank you for your note of the 24th, which came on the heels of Dr. Toppings note. I'm afraid I can't make the trip right away: there's too much going on here that needs looking after.

I hope you didn't misinterpret the position: I just don't want to say "no" (any more than I would "yes") to an unknown quantity.

This is probably the worst time to ask you to make an extra trip, but I will anyhow. I've been meaning to anyhow, and talking over your work with Dean J.Z. Bowers of our medical school, he urged me to ask if you wouldn't come to Wisconsin and tell us about it. (Until very recently there has been no genetics at all at the medical school, and we are all interested in generating interest in it and related areas; it is hard for me to think of anything more pertinent than the transplantation studies). We will offer the usual expenses and nominal honorarium. This is quite incidental to our personal discussion of Wistar; I won't press the Mahomet-mountain analogy, if only because the mass-ratios are out of line.

I mentioned mid-December mainly as that's as far as I can see ahead. However, if much came to focus before then, it might be possible to arrange a trip at that time.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg